Annual Caseload Statistics for ODR-Approved Mediation Centers. Nebraska’s mediation centers had a case volume of 4,258 mediation cases in 2013/2014. Mediation referrals from the courts amounted to 64% of all new cases referred to the mediation centers. Parenting Plan cases continued to be the highest and most significant types of cases handled during the year, amounting to 2,480 or 58% of the total case volume for the period. Child welfare cases referred by Nebraska juvenile and county courts represented the second highest case volume of 877 or 21% of the total case volume. Desiring an increase in permanency and expediting the court process, county and juvenile court judges actively refer child welfare cases to the mediation centers who provide the courts with facilitative pre-hearing conferences at the initial removal, twelve-month permanency and termination of parental rights stages of the court process.

![Image](image_url)

**Figure 1: Nebraska ODR-approved Mediation Center Case Volume, 1992-2014.**

*estimated due to data system conversion

The six regional non-profit mediation centers' volume from 1992 through 2014 is shown above in Figure 1. Case volume represents the total number of cases that were open and worked on
during the fiscal year. The dip in FY99-00 was a result of the closing down of a small claims mediation program for Douglas County based upon insufficient funds. Since that time, there has been a gradual, consistent increase in mediation cases from year-to-year, with a particular up-tick in 2008-09, much as a result of the passage of the revised Parenting Act.

The *Cumulative Mediation Case Data Report* (following) provides a detailed description of mediation services for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 according to mediation center, case type, referral source. The six ODR-approved mediation centers and their regions are shown in the map below.

![Mediation Centers and Regions](image)

In addition to providing direct mediation services to citizens, these non-profit mediation centers offer numerous public and community seminars, educational workshops, and presentations to address violence prevention, conflict resolution, collaborative practices, mediation and other facilitative processes.

For more information, please contact Debora Denny, Director, Office of Dispute Resolution, State Court Administrator's Office, 402-471-2766, debora.denny@nebraska.gov, and visit the ODR website at [www.supremecourt.ne.gov/mediation](http://www.supremecourt.ne.gov/mediation).
# Nebraska Office of Dispute Resolution

## 2013-2014 Cumulative Mediation Case Data Report

**Report Period:** 7/1/2013 - 6/30/2014  
**Report Date:** 8/6/2014

### Totals Statewide

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### CASE VOLUME BY CASE TYPE

- **Parenting Plan:**
  - Totals: 1838
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 339
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 202
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 541
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 143
    - Nebraska Mediation Center Fremont: 418
    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 195
- **Parenting Plan-Specialized ADR:**
  - Totals: 642
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 68
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 144
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 143
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 26
    - Nebraska Mediation Center Fremont: 72
    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 9
- **Family-Non PP:**
  - Totals: 101
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 5
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 14
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 46
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 6
    - Nebraska Mediation Center Fremont: 19
    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 11
- **General/Community:**
  - Totals: 905
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 115
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 585
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 129
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 9
    - Nebraska Mediation Center Fremont: 62
    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 5
- **Child Welfare:**
  - Totals: 877
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 129
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 380
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 165
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 35
    - Nebraska Mediation Center Fremont: 120
    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 48
- **Juvenile:**
  - Totals: 55
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 8
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 16
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 1
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 3
    - Nebraska Mediation Center Fremont: 26
    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 1
- **Adult Criminal:**
  - Totals: 2
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 1
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 0
    - The Mediation Center Lincoln: 1
    - Mediation West Scottsbluff: 0
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    - The Resolution Center Beatrice: 0
- **Unknown:**
  - Totals: 18
    - Central Mediation Center Kearney: 13
    - Concord Mediation Center Omaha: 4
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### NEW CASES BY REFERRAL SOURCE

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